

General Assembly

February Session, 2022

Substitute Bill No. 5373



AN ACT ESTABLISHING CONCURRENT JURISDICTION WITH THE UNITED STATES OVER OFFENSES COMMITTED BY MINORS ON FEDERAL MILITARY INSTALLATIONS IN THIS STATE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 48-1 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2022*):
- 3 (a) The consent of the state of Connecticut is given, in accordance with 4 the seventeenth clause, eighth section, of the first article of the 5 Constitution of the United States, to the acquisition by the United States, 6 by purchase, condemnation or otherwise, of any land in this state 7 required for customhouses, courthouses, post offices, arsenals or other 8 public buildings or for any other purposes of the government. Exclusive 9 jurisdiction in and over any land so acquired by the United States is 10 ceded to the United States for all purposes except the service of all civil 11 and criminal process of the courts of this state and as provided in 12 subsection (b) of this section; but the jurisdiction so ceded shall continue 13 no longer than the United States owns such land. The jurisdiction ceded 14 shall not vest until the United States has acquired the title to such lands 15 by purchase, condemnation or otherwise; and, so long as such lands 16 remain the property of the United States when acquired as aforesaid, the 17 same shall be exempt from all state, county and municipal taxation, 18 assessment or other charges.

(b) (1) The Governor may accept, on behalf of this state, from the appropriate federal authority [on behalf of the state] retrocession of full or partial jurisdiction over any land provided for in subsection (a) of this section. Documents concerning such retrocession shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of the State and recorded in a like manner as the original land acquisition by the United States.

(2) If the United States Attorney, or the United States District Court, for the district of Connecticut waives exclusive jurisdiction in any matter relating to a violation by a minor, as defined in section 1-1d, of federal law within the boundaries of any military installation of the United States Department of Defense located on any land provided for in subsection (a) of this section, the state shall exercise concurrent jurisdiction with the United States over such military installation in such matter.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2022	48-1

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

Subsec. (b)(2) was rewritten for clarity.

VA Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO

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